

DREF operation final report



International Federation
of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Russia: Flood

DREF operation n° MDRRU009
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The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent (IFRC) Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) is a source of unearmarked money created by the Federation in 1985 to ensure that immediate financial support is available for Red Cross Red Crescent response to emergencies. The DREF is a vital part of the International Federation's disaster response system and increases the ability of National Societies to respond to disasters.

CHF 8 8,725 has been allocated from the Federation's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund (DREF) to support the National Society in delivering immediate assistance to 600 households. This operation was implemented over 4 months, and was therefore completed by the end of February 2011.

Summary: Heavy torrential rains raised the water level of the rivers causing inundation and flooding of houses and agricultural land, as well as destruction of infrastructure in some areas of the Krasnodarsky Region, Russia.



Meeting beneficiaries of the project in Apsheronsk, Krasnodarskiy region of Russian Federation. February 2011. **Photo: IFRC**

According to the Russian EMERCOM, 8 houses were completely destroyed and 134 flooded in the Apsheronsky area while in Tuapsinsky area 400 houses were partially damaged. Destruction of homes continued even after water withdrawal, as many houses in the villages and settlements are typically made of clay and adobe. Moreover, on 26 November 2010, the affected settlements were hit by another wave of flood.

Russian EMERCOM established temporary accommodation in 10 places for about 600 households (5,000 people). Russian Red Cross branch in Krasnodar was actively involved in disaster response action.

The Russian Red Cross provided assistance to 600 households (5000 people) through delivering basic food and non-food relief and providing psychosocial support to the affected elderly. The operation was implemented during a period of four months.

The activities included distribution of food parcels, hygienic kits and bed linen. 23 Russian Red Cross volunteers were trained, equipped with first aid kits (in case the flooding would occur again) and carried out regular home visits to the affected families, providing psychosocial support and delivering humanitarian aid to the most elderly and disabled beneficiaries. The feedback from people assisted revealed that the aid and the presence of the Red Cross volunteers in their daily lives were highly appreciated.

As a result of the operation, the Krasnodar Regional Red Cross Branch strengthened its capacity in psychosocial support and attracted more than 30 volunteers who will be, if well motivated, of great support

to the branch in similar situation, as such floods have become regular over the last five years and the branch will definitely have to deal with new disasters.

Following implementation of the operation, there is a remaining balance of CHF 208 that is proposed to be returned to DREF. The major donors to the DREF were the Irish, Italian, Netherlands and Norwegian governments and ECHO. Details of all donors can be found at <http://www.ifrc.org/what/disasters/responding/drs/tools/dref/donors.asp>

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The situation

On 16 October 2010, heavy torrential rains raised the water level of the rivers causing inundation and flooding of houses and agricultural land, as well as destruction of infrastructure in some areas of the Krasnodarsky Region.

The most affected areas were Tuapsinsky district (3 urban settlements - Tuapsinskoye, Dzhuskoye, Novomichailovskoye and 6 villages - Velyaminovskoye, Georgievskoye, Shaumyanskoye, Shepsinskoye, Otyabrskoye, Tenginskoye and 18 settlements) and Apsheronsky district (village Urinskoye and 2 settlements). 45,214 people were affected (including 15,093 children), 14 died.

Within 24 hours, an average monthly quantity of precipitation fell on the area, accompanied by tornados. The heavy rain came from the direction of the Black Sea hitting a large territory from the Inal Bay up to Shepsi. The North Caucasian railway was closed for several hours. The water level of two mountain rivers overflowed, which caused flooding of villages and settlements downstream.

It was estimated that 600 households (5,000 people) from 22 villages in the Tuapsinsky and Apsheronsky areas were most affected by the disaster. 8 houses were completely destroyed and 134 flooded in the Apsheronsky area while in Tuapsinsky area 400 houses were partially damaged. Destruction of homes happened even after withdrawal of water as houses in villages and settlements were made of clay and adobe.

The floods washed away gardens, where local people grow fruits and vegetables, it also killed the livestock of poultry and rabbits the locals were breeding. Considerable damage was done to agricultural land, electricity, roads, water dams, and bridges.

The affected families were temporarily accommodated with relatives, in hotels and summer camps. On their return on 26 November, the affected settlements were hit by the second wave of floods that significantly worsened the situation creating the atmosphere of fear, panic and shock.

In Tuapsinskiy district 60% of the affected were elderly people, in Apsheronkiy district the elderly made up 80% of the affected. They were the most vulnerable and impoverished, therefore forming 85% of the beneficiaries of the project.

State authorities have pledged to support in restoring the damaged houses and within three months provided new accommodation to those whose houses were destroyed.

Red Cross and Red Crescent action

From the first hours of the disaster, the Russian Red Cross Branch in the Krasnodarskiy region was actively involved in the disaster response actions. Russian Red Cross branch staff and volunteers conducted needs assessment and assisted EMERCOM teams to carry out search and rescue work. The Krasnodar Red Cross regional branch has a small emergency stock of non food items, but they were lacking the most needed food and hygienic items. The branch had enough capacity in terms of knowledge and experience to support affected population. As soon as the needed relief items arrived from the Russian Red Cross Headquarter, the branch continued to provide relief assistance and psychosocial support to the most affected.

The branch provided cleaning materials and detergents, bed linen, hygienic kits, food parcels (supplementary rations) to each household. The relief items were distributed by trained volunteers. The Red Cross volunteers delivered the aid directly to the houses of those with reduced mobility.

The group of 40 volunteers (23 of them newly trained) was directly involved in the relief activities, and was provided with First Aid Kits. The psychosocial support activities in the form of home visits and phone calls continued until the end of the project.

Businesses and state authorities immediately reacted to the call by the local Red Cross branch and provided additional in-kind support in order to cover the needs of the population at the local level. The goods were stored at the Russian Red Cross warehouse and in those provided by the state authorities in the affected areas.

The aim of the operation was to provide the affected population with basic food and non-food items and to minimize the psychological effects suffered by the local communities in the aftermath of the flood through the provision of psychosocial support to the affected.

Achievements against outcomes

| Relief distributions (food and basic non-food items) |
|---|
| Objective 1: Providing immediate aid to the people affected by the floods and reducing the suffering. |
| Outputs (expected results) and activities planned: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of relief items and hot meals to the affected people in the shelters. • Volunteers of the Russian Red Cross give assistance in distribution of relief items • Basic family needs are met • Families are provided with basic relief goods. • The Russian Red Cross will establish distribution points in the flood affected areas for distribution of bed linen sets and blankets, detergents, personal hygiene items, food parcels, etc. |

Impact:

600 households in the two affected districts of the Krasnodar region received supplementary food parcels, hygienic kits and detergents, bed linen sets and basic mattresses based on the assessed needs. It was decided to substitute hot meals by supplementary dry ration, as the local state authorities provided hot meal during the first month of the project and later on a designated cook went around the houses and prepared meals on the spot.

Distribution points were established in seven urban and rural areas, those with reduced mobility had the relief aid brought to their door step by the volunteers.

| Emergency health and care |
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| Objective 2: Psychosocial support is provided to all families returning home to help them cope with psychological effects of the disaster. |
| Outputs (expected results) and activities planned: |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct home visit to vulnerable, elderly and other people in need of psycho-social support by Red Cross volunteers • Refresher workshop for the volunteers in distribution administration, sanitary/health promotion, First Aid, including psycho-social support |

Impact:

Regular psychosocial support was provided to 138 people by 23 trained volunteers through 214 home visits and phone calls.

These activities helped the people affected by the floods to cope with stress and anxiety caused by the difficult situation.

The beneficiaries noted that the relief was much needed and highly appreciated and that their own state was improving, especially noting that the presence of the Red Cross volunteers in their lives was very important and valuable.

“The water flooded my house in the blink of an eye. I couldn’t even save my documents, let alone the food or clothing. I’m really grateful to the Red Cross for their parcels, they were so on time. We are facing these floods regularly now; probably the climate is really changing”.

Lubov’, 56.

A team of trained volunteers was built up during the project through an induction training that aimed at sharing of experiences of the volunteers and to prepare the distribution of the relief goods and psychosocial support.

The operation had regular media coverage: both the local TV channels and the newspapers covered the aid distribution.

The DREF operation ended on 25 February 2011. The local population representatives noted that their level of stress and tension was now much lower. The beneficiaries felt more secure due to the successful operation.

How we work

All IFRC assistance seeks to adhere to the [Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organizations \(NGO's\) in Disaster Relief](#) and the [Humanitarian Charter and Minimum Standards in Disaster Response \(Sphere\)](#) in delivering assistance to the most vulnerable.

The IFRC's vision is to inspire, encourage, facilitate and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by National Societies, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

The IFRC's work is guided by [Strategy 2020](#) which puts forward three strategic aims:

1. Save lives, protect livelihoods, and strengthen recovery from disaster and crises.
2. Enable healthy and safe living.
3. Promote social inclusion and a culture of non-violence and peace.

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PRU077 - Russia Floods

Project timeframe: 22.10.2010 - 22.02.2011

Appeal: MDRRU009 - Russia - Floods

Final Financial Report

| Selected Parameters | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Reporting Timeframe | 2010/10-2011/05 |
| Budget Timeframe | 2010/10-2011/05 |
| Project | PRU077 |
| Budget | APPEAL |

All figures are in Swiss Francs (CHF)

I. Consolidated Response to Project

| | Disaster Management | Health and Social Services | National Society Development | Principles and Values | Coordination | TOTAL |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| A. Budget | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| B. Opening Balance | | | | | | |
| Income | | | | | | |
| Other Income | | | | | | |
| <i>DREF Allocations</i> | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| C4. Other Income | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| C. Total Income = SUM(C1..C4) | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| D. Total Funding = B + C | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| Appeal Coverage | 100% | | | | | 100% |

II. Balance of Funds

| | Disaster Management | Health and Social Services | National Society Development | Principles and Values | Coordination | TOTAL |
|---|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------|
| B. Opening Balance | | | | | | |
| C. Income | 88,725 | | | | | 88,725 |
| E. Expenditure | -88,518 | | | | | -88,518 |
| F. Closing Balance = (B + C + E) | 207 | | | | | 207 |

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III. Budget Analysis / Breakdown of Expenditure

| Account Groups | Budget | Expenditure | | | | | TOTAL | Variance |
|---|---------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| | | Disaster Management | Health and Social Services | National Society Development | Principles and Values | Coordination | | |
| A | | | | | | | B | A - B |
| BUDGET (C) | 88,725 | | | | | | 88,725 | |
| Relief items, Construction, Supplies | | | | | | | | |
| Clothing & textiles | 38,508 | 16,503 | | | | | 16,503 | 22,005 |
| Food | 18,444 | 32,479 | | | | | 32,479 | -14,035 |
| Water, Sanitation & Hygiene | 6,000 | 12,752 | | | | | 12,752 | -6,752 |
| Medical & First Aid | | 441 | | | | | 441 | -441 |
| Other Supplies & Services | 450 | 62 | | | | | 62 | 388 |
| Total Relief items, Construction, Supl | 63,402 | 62,238 | | | | | 62,238 | 1,164 |
| Logistics, Transport & Storage | | | | | | | | |
| Distribution & Monitoring | 1,808 | | | | | | | 1,808 |
| Transport & Vehicle Costs | 800 | 992 | | | | | 992 | -192 |
| Total Logistics, Transport & Storage | 2,608 | 992 | | | | | 992 | 1,616 |
| Personnel | | | | | | | | |
| International Staff | 7,000 | | | | | | | 7,000 |
| National Staff | | 382 | | | | | 382 | -382 |
| National Society Staff | 4,550 | 3,912 | | | | | 3,912 | 638 |
| Volunteers | | 1,356 | | | | | 1,356 | -1,356 |
| Total Personnel | 11,550 | 5,651 | | | | | 5,651 | 5,899 |
| Workshops & Training | | | | | | | | |
| Workshops & Training | 250 | 245 | | | | | 245 | 5 |
| Total Workshops & Training | 250 | 245 | | | | | 245 | 5 |
| General Expenditure | | | | | | | | |
| Travel | 3,000 | 662 | | | | | 662 | 2,338 |
| Information & Public Relation | | 384 | | | | | 384 | -384 |
| Office Costs | 1,500 | 381 | | | | | 381 | 1,119 |
| Communications | 800 | 542 | | | | | 542 | 258 |
| Financial Charges | 200 | 10,820 | | | | | 10,820 | -10,620 |
| Other General Expenses | | 1,200 | | | | | 1,200 | -1,200 |
| Total General Expenditure | 5,500 | 13,989 | | | | | 13,989 | -8,489 |
| Indirect Costs | | | | | | | | |
| Programme & Service Support | 5,415 | 5,402 | | | | | 5,402 | 13 |
| Total Indirect Costs | 5,415 | 5,402 | | | | | 5,402 | 13 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE (D) | 88,725 | 88,518 | | | | | 88,518 | 208 |
| VARIANCE (C - D) | | 208 | | | | | 208 | |

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IV. M-code Details

| M-code | Name | Opening Balance | Income | Expenditure | Closing Balance | Budget | Variance |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|------------|
| | | A | B | C | A + B + C | D | D - C |
| MDRRU009 | Russia - Floods | | 88,725 | -88,518 | 207 | 88,725 | 208 |
| Total | | | 88,725 | -88,518 | 207 | 88,725 | 208 |